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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION	:	
OF	:	
	:	<u>Administrative Action</u>
ALISON E. GULINO, C.C.R.	:	
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TO PRACTICE COURT REPORTING IN	:	CONSENT ORDER
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Court Reporting (hereinafter the "Board") upon receipt of an application for certification as a court reporter in this State filed by Alison E. Gulino.

On or about January 23, 2013, Alison E. Gulino filed an application for certification as a court reporter in the State of New Jersey. In making this application to the Board, Ms. Gulino swore that all the information contained in the document was true to the best of her knowledge and belief. In

response to questions on the certification application regarding criminal background history, she responded "no" to questions which inquired as to whether she had ever been summoned; arrested; taken into custody; indicted; tried; charged with or pled guilty to any violation of law, felony, misdemeanor or disorderly persons offense in New Jersey or in any other state. She also answered "no" to a question inquiring whether she had ever been convicted of any crime or offense under any circumstances. Finally, application for certification as a court reporter required a criminal history background check.

The Board reviewed all of the relevant documentation submitted with Ms. Gulino's application. The results of the criminal background check revealed that she was arrested in June 1995 in Rockaway Township, New Jersey on a criminal charge of Shoplifting, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-11B. She later was found guilty of this charge and assessed a \$400.00 fine.

In a letter to the Board, dated February 5, 2013, Ms. Gulino maintained, among other contentions, that she did not intentionally try to mislead the Board regarding her criminal history. Rather, she asserted that the conduct occurred so long ago that she had simply forgotten about it.

The Board considered this entire matter, including Ms. Gulino's application for certification, at its March 2013 meeting. It found that Ms. Gulino had met the requirements of

certification as a court reporter in the State of New Jersey and voted to grant her application for certification. The Board also concluded that Ms. Gulino had engaged in the use or employment of misrepresentation, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b), when she responded "no" to the questions regarding her criminal history when in fact she had been arrested and convicted of a crime in 1995. However, the Board found that the nature and the age of the conviction constituted mitigating factors in its consideration of discipline in this matter.

Thereafter, It appearing that the applicant Alison Gulino, C.C.R., desires to resolve this matter without recourse to any additional or formal proceedings; and the applicant not contesting the findings of the Board contained in the within Order; and the applicant waiving her right to a hearing and the Board finding that the disposition of the matter as set forth herein is adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and other good cause appearing;

IT IS, THEREFORE, ON THIS <sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> day of MAY 2013,

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. The application of Alison Gulino, C.C.R., for certification as a certified court reporter, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:15B-3, in the State of New Jersey is hereby granted.

2. Ms. Gulino is hereby formally reprimanded for her conduct as described above, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(a).

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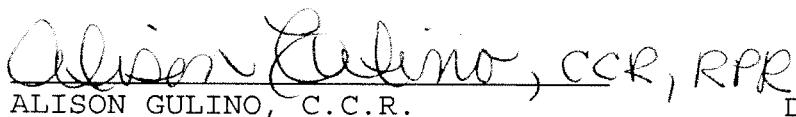
By:



MARIANNE CAMMAROTA, C.C.R.

President

I have read and understand  
the within Order and agree  
to be bound by its terms.  
Consent is hereby given to  
the Board to enter this Order.



ALISON GULINO, C.C.R.

DATED:

4/25/13